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TABOLINA et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-  
AMINO ACID USING BACTERIA  
BELONGING TO THE GENUS  
ESCHERICHIA

Confirmation No.: 3493

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 16, 2006, the Applicant submits the following Response in the above-referenced patent application for consideration. The text of the withdrawn claims is now reflected in the "Amendments to the Claims" section, which is the only difference between this response and that filed June 2, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page two (2).

**Remarks** begin on page nine (9) of this paper.